THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) The Law Commission of India in its 154th Report on the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, *inter alia*, recommended that there should be a separate and exclusive investigating agency to investigate grave offences in every district, subject to supervision by the higher authorities. Since 'Police' is a State subject, the recommendation was referred to State Governments for implementation.

This matter was also considered at the Chief Ministers' Conference on August 05, 2000 and there was a general agreement on the need for creation of separate investigation cell/team at the Police Station.

Creation of a Department of Border Management in MHA

1113. SHRI P.N. SIVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Department of Border Management has been set up within the Union Home Ministry;

(b) if so, the parameters, functions and other details of the Department; and

(c) if not, by when such a department is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The Group of Ministers has, *inter alia*, recommended that a separate Department of Border Management may be created under the overall charge of the home secretary. It should monitor, coordinate and oversee Border Management. A detailed proposal for the creation of a separate Department of Border Management is at present under consideration. Pending sanction of additional officers and staff for the proposed Department of Border Management, a Border Management Division has been created in the Ministry by giving additional charge to a senior officer and providing minimum skeletal staff through internal adjustment.